

Hello,

I just wanted to write about the HB 5530, dissection choice bill. I think if we could get this bill passed it would be wonder as so many other states already have this type of bill enacted. Fifteen states to be exact, including Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New York have laws or policies allowing students to opt-out of dissection. Also, alternatives to dissection save teachers and schools time and money because they last for years and do not need to be re-ordered for each class.

Both the National Science Teachers Association and the National Association of Biology Teachers support dissection choice policies. Students at all educational levels have objections to cutting up animals for dissection. Forcing them to dissect dead animals can interfere with their ability to learn the required information, cause them psychological trauma, or even discourage them from pursuing careers in science.

Modern alternatives to dissection like as computer programs, DVDs and models have been shown to teach anatomy and biology as well as or better than dissection.

Thank you for your time!!

I hope we can finally pass this bill for Connecticut Students we owe it to them to give them a choice! I know I wish growing up in CT schools I had this choice!

Thank you,
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